appropriate from time to time. There are at present no Indian nationals in Afghanistan.

Repair of Old Coaches

*630. SHRI IQBAL SINGH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that the old coaches which are dirty and unusable are put into service in all the trains of Punjab despite existence of new Railway Coaches Factory at Kapurthala;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) what steps Government propose to take to rectify the position?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. K. JAFFER SHARIEF). (a) Old coaches which are dirty and unusable are not being put into service in trains of Punjab.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Concessions/facilities to CRPF/BSF Personnel

*631. SHRIMATI ILA PANDA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry issued a letter to all the State Governments on 30th June, 1983 for granting various concessions/facilities to the ex-servicemen of CRPF and BSF or their families;

(b) if so, whether it is also a fact that some State Governments have not completed with the directions contained in the letter since its issuance,

(c) which are the States that have not complied with the directions; and

(d) what steps Government propose to take to see that these States also abide by these directions?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. B. CHAVAN): (a) The State Governments were addressed on 30.6.1983, requesting them to consider grant of various concessions/facilities to the ex-servicemen of the CRPF and their families, out of the state Govt.'s resources.

(b) to (d) Do not arise, as the letter issued to the State Govt. was in the nature of a request, seeking their help and support.

Schemes to Promote Afforestation in Rural areas

*632. SHRI MISA R. GANESAN:
SHRI TINDIVANAM G. VENKATRAMAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are schemes to promote afforestation in rural areas;

(b) whether Government are allotting Peramboke and Government lands for this purpose; and

(c) what is the programme to promote these schemes in villages?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) Afforestation in rural areas is promoted through the tree planting activities carried out under the State Plan Schemes, externally-aided Forestry Projects and the Schemes of the Central Government like the Integrated Afforestation and Eco-Development Projects Scheme, Fuelwood and Fodder Projects scheme, Minor Forest Produce Scheme, Integrated Wastelands development Projects scheme, Drought Prone Areas Programme, desert Development Programme, River Valley Projects Scheme, etc.

(b) The allotment of Poramboke and Government lands is done at the State level by the concerned state Governments and the question of the Government of India alloting such lands does not arise. However, plantations on Poramboke and

Government lands are carried out under the afforestation and tree planting schemes as required, keeping in view the climate and soil factors.

(c) Afforestation and tree planting are land based activities carried out on a continuing basis in the rural parts of the country including in the villages. It is proposed to expand the afforestation and tree planting activities in the future subject to availability of funds.

भारतीय चिकित्सा पद्धति के अंतर्गत रोगों का निदान

*633. **श्री सोमपाल:**
श्री शारदा महन्ती:

क्या **स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार का ध्यान दिनांक 26 फरवरी, 1994 के "इंडियन एक्सप्रैस" में "ए मॉडर्न लुक एट ट्रेडिशनल विजड्म" शीर्षक के अन्तर्गत प्रकाशित समाचार विश्लेषण की ओर दिलाया गया है जिसमे अमेरिका के चिकित्सकों एवं चिकित्सा अनुसंधान संस्थानों द्वारा प्राचीन भारतीय चिकित्सा एवं योग पद्धतियों द्वारा रोगों का प्रभावी निदान किए जाने की बात कही गई है;

(ख) यदि हाँ, तो क्या सरकार इन प्राचीन प्रणालियों को चिकित्सा अनुसंधान एवं शैक्षिक पाठ्यक्रम में सम्मिलित करके एक समग्र चिकित्सा प्रणाली बनाने का प्रयास करेगी;

(ग) यदि हाँ, तो क्या सरकार ऐसे कार्यक्रमों की रूप-रेखा बनाने के लिए कोई ठोस कदम उठा रही है या उठाने का विचार रखती है; और

(घ) यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं?

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री (श्री बी० शंकरानन्द): (क) जी, हाँ।

(ख) से (घ) प्रत्येक चिकित्सा पद्धति में निदान और उपचार करने के अपने सिद्धांत हैं। विभिन्न चिकित्सा पद्धतियों को साथ-साथ नहीं अपनाया जा सकता। राष्ट्रीय स्वास्थ्य नीति में प्रत्येक चिकित्सा पद्धति की उसकी प्रकृति के अनुसार विकास करने की बात कही गई है।

Break Through in Bombay Bomb Blast Case

*634. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether in a major breakthrough the CBI has arrested two important operatives of Bombay bomb-blast case recently;

(b) if so, whether the CBI has also announced a prize of about Rs. 2 lakh on some other persons involved in the said blast case;

(c) if so, whether a general alert has been sounded in all the States;

(d) if so, whether all the State Governments have been asked to take stringent measures to deal with the situation that may arise out of the increasing ISI activities throughout the country;

(e) whether any meeting of the State Chief Ministers/Home Ministers has been called by Union Government to take a comprehensive action plan to meet the situation arising out of the increasing ISI activities; and

(f) if so, the details of the same and if not, the main reasons therefor?

THE MINSITER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S.B. CHAVAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) All the accused persons in the Bombay bomb blast case who have not been arrested so far have been declared proclaimed offenders'.